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FOLLOWING REPEAT BERLIN 4006 ACTION SECSTATE INFO BONN,
LONDON, PARIS, USBERLIN, USNATO, BELGIUM, HEIDELBERG GER, AND JCS WAS
HDC DATED JUNE 14, 1978.

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SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF SOVIET MANEUVER IN GDR

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED A NOTE FROM THE GDR MINISTRY
OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS DATED JUNE 12, 1978 INFORMING THE
EMBASSY UNDER THE TERMS OF THE HELSINKI FINAL ACT OF AN
UPCOMING MILITARY MANEUVER IN THE GDR. THE MANEUVER
IS SCHEDULED FOR JULY 3 TO 8 IN THE AREA
STENDAL-MAGDEBURG-LIEBEROSE AND WILL BE CONDUCTED BY
ELEMENTS OF ARMY AND AIR FORCES OF THE SOVIET UNION
STATIONED IN THE GDR. THE MANEUVER IS
PLANNED TO EMPLOY APPROXIMATELY 30,000 MEN. NOT
STATED IN THE NOTE BUT IMPLIED BY THE ABSENCE OF ANY
REFERENCE TO GDR FORCES IS THE IMPLICATION THAT
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THIS MANEUVER WILL CONTAIN ONLY SOVIET, NOT GDR,
FORCES.

2. WE BELIEVE THIS TO BE THE FIRST TIME THAT THE
GDR FOREIGN MINISTRY HAS INFORMED US OF A TROOP
MANEUVER IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE HELSINKI FINAL ACT.
NOTIFICATION WOULD APPEAR TO BE CONSISTENT WITH

CBM PORTION OF FINAL ACT, EVEN THOUGH GDR FORCES
APPARENTLY NOT INVOLVED IN EXERCISE. BOLEN UNQUOTE VANCE

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